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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: SURFACE-COATED CUTTING TOOL

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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The references **CN 1470350 A** and **US 6,586,122 B2** were first cited in a corresponding Chinese Office Action and their relevance are discussed therein. A copy of the Chinese Office

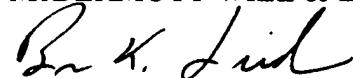
Action, together with an English language version thereof, is attached for the Examiner's information.

Please note the references **JP 2004-074361 A** and **US 2003/0148145 A1** cited in the attached Chinese Office Action was previously submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 18, 2006.

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